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SUBJECT: REPORTED SEPTEMBER TRIPARTITE MEETING
ON STRaits

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1. SEPTEMBER 4 ISSUE OF BRITISH JOURNAL "FAIRPLAY INTER-NATIONAL SHIPPING WEEKLY" CARRIES SHORT ARTICLE ON PAGE 37 REPORTING THAT "ACCORDING TO FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN IN SINGAPORE . . . SENIOR OFFICIALS OF THE SINGAPORE GOVERNMENT THIS MONTH (SEPTEMBER) MEET WITH INDONESIAN AND MAYLAYSIAN COUNTERPARTS FOR TALKS IN JAKARTA". ARTICLE GOES ON TO SAY THAT THIS MEETING IS CONFIDENTIAL

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"STAGE TWO" IN THE "DEVELOPMENT OF PLANS FOR TRAFFIC SEPARATION SCHEME IN THE STRAITS OF MALACCA AND LIMITATIONS ON SUPERTANKERS". ARTICLE SAYS FURTHER THAT TRIPARTITE MEETING WOULD DISCUSS METHODS OF PREVENTING

GROUNDINGS AND "PLANS FOR NAVIGATIONAL SAFETY THAT
WOULD BE SUPPORTED BY INTERNATIONAL MARITIME ORGANIZATIONS."

2. ACTION ADDRESSEES PLEASE PROVIDE DEPARTMENT WITH
ANY LATE INFORMATION THEY CAN OBTAIN ON THIS REPORTED
MEETING. AS IN REQUEST REF A, EMBASSIES SHOULD BASE
THEIR REPORTS ON INFORMATION ALREADY AT HAND OR VIA
LOW-KEY WORKING LEVEL APPROACHES WITH HOST GOVERNMENT
OFFICIALS. AS WITH REF A, EMBOFF MAY INFORM HOST
GOVERNMENTS OF "OUR CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR THEIR EFFORTS
TO PROMOTE THE SAFETY OF NAVIGATION AND PROTECTION OF THE
MARINE ENVIRONMENT IN THE STRAITS AND OUR BELIEF THAT
THIS CAN BEST BE ACCOMPLISHED BY COORDINATION WITH
MARITIME NATIONS (USERS OF THE STRAITS) AS WELL AS WITH
THE OTHER COASTAL STATES THROUGH THE ESTABLISHED
MECHANISM OF IMCO." ROBINSON

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